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WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBERS FOR K. G. F. AREA FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 1944. A FALL OF 0·5 POINTS.

The Cost of Living Index Number for Kolar Gold Fields Area for August 1944, works out to 204·4 which is lower by 0·5 point than that for the previous month.

As compared with the previous month the Food Index decreased by 0·9 point to 223 points due to a slight fall in the prices of blackgram, dhal, greengram, jaggery, onions, and ground-nut oil. Due to a further rise in the price of fire-wood, the Index Number of fuel and lighting group rose to 238·8 points showing an increase of 13·3 points over that for July 1944. The index number of the clothing group decreased by 8·0 points to 193·9 points due to further reduction in the prices of cloths. The Index Number of House Rent and Miscellaneous Groups remained steady.

Articles	Unit of quantity	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1939	July 1944	August 1944	Index Numbers: July 1944	August 1944
			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Rice ...	Seer	8·5	0 2 0	0 4 3	0 4 3	212	212
d Rice ...	,,	36·9	0 2 1	0 4 3	0 4 3	204	204
...	,,	11·1	0 0 11	0 2 4	0 2 4	254	254
gram Dhal ...	,,	0·4	0 2 11	0 15 4	0 13 2	526	451
hal ...	,,	4·2	0 2 8	0 8 0	0 8 0	300	300
lgram Dhal ...	,,	0·8	0 1 11	0 8 0	0 7 11	417	413
Dhal ...	,,	0·6	0 2 1	0 6 10	0 6 11	329	332
gram ...	,,	0·6	0 1 11	0 7 6	0 7 4	391	383
...	,,	0·5	0 1 4	0 2 1	0 2 1	156	156
y ...	Viss	2·3	0 3 3	0 8 3	0 7 11	254	244
seeds ...	Seer	1·8	0 4 0	0 14 2	0 11 3	279	281
...	,,	2·1	0 3 6	0 3 9	0 3 10	107	110
...	,,	5·0	0 8 0	1 3 8	1 3 8	246	246
...	,,	2·8	0 3 3	0 4 0	0 4 0	123	123
...	,,	0·6	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 2 0	100	100
s ...	Viss	0·8	0 1 4	0 4 9	0 3 4	356	250
...	Seer	1·1	0 6 0	0 10 10	0 11 0	181	183
lly oil ...	,,	3·2	0 2 0	0 5 7	0 5 7	279	279
nut ...	Each	0·8	0 1 2	0 1 6	0 1 8	128	143
dnut oil ...	,,	0·6	0 1 7	0 4 0	0 3 11	253	247
...	,,	1·3	0 1 2	0 2 2	0 2 0	186	171
s ...	Viss	4·0	0 7 8	1 10 4	1 10 6	343	346
rind ...	,,	1·4	0 2 7	0 7 6	0 7 6	290	290
der ...	Seer	1·2	0 1 4	0 4 7	0 4 9	344	356
...	,,	0·6	0 2 0	0 4 7	0 5 8	229	283
...	,,	0·3	0 1 2	0 1 2	0 1 2	100	100
bles ..	,,	3·8	0 12 4	0 12 4	0 12 4	100	100
made coffee ...		3·2	0 12 3	0 12 3	0 12 3	100	100
Total ...		100·0	...	...	...		
umbers—All food articles		...	...	...	...	223·9	223·0
Lighting.—							
od ...	Maund	75·1	0 2 0	0 4 9	0 5 1	237	254
Oil ...	Seer	7·8	0 2 3	0 5 9	0 5 9	256	256

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			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Clothing—							
Dhoties ...	Pair	9·3	2 1 0	5 0 0	4 14 0	242	236
Cloth for Pyjamas, etc.	Yard	1·7	0 4 4	0 13 5	0 12 2	310	281
Coating	,,	20·4	0 6 5	1 0 6	0 14 11	257	232
Shirting ...	,,	14·7	0 5 0	0 10 6	0 9 10	210	197
Sarees ...	Each	39·4	3 3 0	4 9 0	4 9 0	143	143
Cloth for Jackets, etc.	Yard	14·5	0 5 3	0 12 6	0 12 6	238	236
Total ...		100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Numbers—Clothing ...		...	...	...	...	201·9	193·9
House rent		100·0	0 10 9	0 10 9	0 10 9	100·0	100·0
Total ...		100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Numbers—House rent ...		...	...	...	...	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous—							
Barber		14·5	0 9 1	0 9 1	0 9 1	100	100
Soap for washing		20·0	0 12 6	0 12 6	0 12 6	100	100
Soapnut powder		5·2	0 3 3	0 3 3	0 3 3	100	100
Supari		14·1	0 8 10	0 8 10	0 8 10	100	100
Beedies		15·7	0 9 10	0 9 10	0 9 10	100	100
Travelling expenses ...		6·7	0 4 2	0 4 2	0 4 2	100	100
Flowers		3·9	0 2 5	0 2 5	0 2 5	100	100
Amusements		8·1	0 5 1	0 5 1	0 5 1	100	100
Charges for grinding ...		6·1	0 3 10	0 3 10	0 3 10	100	100
Bedding and household necessaries.		5·7	0 3 6	0 3 6	0 3 6	100	100
Total ...		100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Numbers—Miscellaneous...		...	...	...	...	100	100

Groups	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Index Numbers: July 1944	August 1944
Food	70·9	223·9	223·0
Fuel and Lighting	6·2	225·5	238·8
Clothing	9·1	201·9	193·9
House Rent	9·1	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous	4·7	100·0	100·0
All groups	100·0	204·9	204·4